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Ms. Paula Doughty  
Kennecott Utah Copper Corporation  
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Re: Request for Board Presentation, Annual Reclamation Update & Final Closure Plan Status, Kennecott Utah Copper Corporation (KUCC), Bingham Canyon Mine, M/035/002, Salt Lake County, Utah

Dear Ms. Doughty:

As you will recall, the original 1978 Mined Land Reclamation Contract Agreement (copy attached) stipulated that KUCC provide the Division and Board with an annual detailed report of the reclamation work performed during the preceding year at the Bingham Canyon Copper Mine. The agreement also requires KUCC and Division personnel to work jointly in establishing annual reclamation plans for each forthcoming year. These plans are also subject to Board review.

The Division hereby requests that KUCC assemble the necessary information to present a summary to the Board of Oil, Gas and Mining, of the annual reclamation work performed at the Bingham Canyon Mine. We have tentatively scheduled this presentation for the September 26, 2001 Board hearing.

Recent information indicates that in-pit mining operations could potentially terminate within the next decade. Accordingly, it is timely for KUCC to come prepared to discuss the status of the final closure plans for the Bingham Canyon Mine with the Board. The Board may also be interested in hearing KUCC's ideas on how the original self-bonding contract and reclamation plan will be implemented and the proposed schedule for developing specific design details for final closure and reclamation of the mine site disturbances. I would very much like to discuss an outline of your Board presentation by mid-August. Thank you for your cooperation in this regard. Please contact me at (801) 538-5306, if I can provide further guidance in this matter.

Sincerely,

  
Mary Ann Wright  
Associate Director of Mining

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Attachment: 1978 Reclamation Agreement  
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